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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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Mitsuhiro KUREISHI, et al.

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Group Art Unit: 1756

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Examiner: NOT YET ASSIGNED

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For: PHOTO MASK BLANK AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE SAME

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

MAIL STOP NON-FEE AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 5, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows on the accompanying pages.